

**Early Childhood Special Education Endorsement**  
**PROPOSED COURSEWORK REQUIREMENTS**

**24 semester hours shall include the following:**

- **Screening, assessment and evaluation to include: application of specialized diagnostic and assessment procedures; measurement theory; interpretation of test results and assessment-related issues.**
- **Special education process to include: knowledge of disabilities and implications for the educational environment; design and implementation of individualized education programs through diagnostic teaching, instructional accommodations and modifications; and individualized behavior management techniques.**
- **Collaboration and supervision to include: principles of human motivation and behavior and their implications for managing the classroom; collaboration with other professionals; and supervision of paraprofessionals.**
- **Eight (8) semester hours of practicum in which the individual participates and applies the competencies in a variety of supervised student teaching experiences with children with disabilities and their families. A minimum of fifteen (15) contact hours is equivalent to one (1) semester hour. Practicum requires contact hours in each of three different age levels: Infant/Toddler, Pre-kindergarten, and Kindergarten through grade 3.**